

# Comparisons of Job Characteristics

**Focus Occupation:** [Biological Scientists, All Other \(19-1029\)](#)

**Associated Occupation:** [Environmental Scientists and Specialists, Including Health \(19-2041\)](#)

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<<	Focus occupation element is much lower
<	Focus occupation element is lower
0	Focus occupation element is at a similar level
>	Focus occupation element is at a higher level
>>	Focus occupation element is at a much higher level

## Knowledge

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 70

**Focus Occupation:** Biological Scientists, All Other (19-1029)

**Associated Occupation:** Environmental Scientists and Specialists, Including Health (19-2041)

Associated Occupation's Key Knowledge Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Mathematics	9.2	15.5	14.7	0 Current knowledge level may be sufficient
Chemistry	4.8	14.9	16.4	> Current knowledge level is likely sufficient
Biology	3.7	14.8	24.4	>> Current knowledge level is likely more than sufficient
Law and Government	5.9	13.5	4.8	<< Extensive education and/or training may be required
Geography	3.9	12.7	3.0	<< Extensive education and/or training may be required
Engineering and Technology	5.7	12.1	5.9	<< Extensive education and/or training may be required
Physics	4.3	10.5	5.9	<< Extensive education and/or training may be required

The maximum possible rating is 25.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section analysis of O\*NET (Occupation Information Network) data.

## Skills

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 95

**Focus Occupation:** Biological Scientists, All Other (19-1029)

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Associated Occupation's Key Skills Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Reading Comprehension	10.7	16.1	18.5	> Skill level is likely sufficient
Science	4.5	15.7	16.1	0 Current skill level may be sufficient
Writing	9.2	14.4	16.2	> Skill level is likely sufficient
Complex Problem Solving	9.1	13.4	13.1	0 Current skill level may be sufficient

Judgment and Decision Making	9.4	13.1	13.2	0	Current skill level may be sufficient
Active Learning	8.7	13.0	15.0	>	Skill level is likely sufficient
Mathematics	6.2	12.2	12.6	0	Current skill level may be sufficient
Coordination	9.1	11.8	10.3	<	A higher skill level may be required
Learning Strategies	7.2	11.7	12.2	0	Current skill level may be sufficient
Systems Analysis	6.5	10.6	11.0	0	Current skill level may be sufficient
Operations Analysis	5.0	9.3	5.2	<<	Extensive development of skills in this area may be required
Programming	2.2	6.3	5.1	<	A higher skill level may be required

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## Abilities

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 97

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Associated Occupation: Environmental Scientists and Specialists, Including Health (19-2041)

Associated Occupation's Key Abilities Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating		Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Inductive Reasoning	10.2	16.5	16.1	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Written Comprehension	11.0	16.3	18.5	>	Current ability level is likely sufficient
Problem Sensitivity	11.1	15.8	14.4	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Deductive Reasoning	10.6	15.1	15.6	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Written Expression	9.8	14.4	17.9	>>	Current ability level is likely more than sufficient
Category Flexibility	9.0	13.0	13.2	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Information Ordering	9.9	12.9	13.0	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Mathematical Reasoning	6.3	12.2	13.3	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Number Facility	6.3	11.9	11.8	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Flexibility of Closure	7.8	11.6	11.4	0	Current ability level may be sufficient

The maximum possible rating is 25.

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There are no common work activities.

## Tools and Technologies that Both Occupations Have in Common

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 52

Focus Occupation: Biological Scientists, All Other (19-1029)

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Tools and Technologies	Exclusivity
Business function specific software	1
Chemical evaluation instruments and supplies	10
Chromatographic measuring instruments and accessories	16
Computers	1

Content authoring and editing software	1
Data management and query software	1
Development software	4
Electrochemical measuring instruments and accessories	9
Indicating and recording instruments	2
Industry specific software	1
Information exchange software	1
Manual test kits and quality controls and calibrators and standards	33
Network applications software	1
Operating environment software	12
Spectroscopic equipment	10

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily use all of the listed tools and technologies. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the tool or technology is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations use that tool or technology.

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